

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Policy, Technology, and Efficiency of Brazilian Agriculture, 1985 - 2006

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) ERR

Agency: Economic Research Service Influential Scientific Information
USDA Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: This report conducts a country-level analysis of Brazil's agricultural productivity growth and the key role it plays in the country's agricultural growth and international trade performance. The report hypothesizes that Brazil's agricultural development and strong trade performance is a result of sustained investments in science and technology policy that led to a stream of new technologies and policy environment of macroeconomic stability and economic liberalization that provided farmers with the incentives to boost farm production and efficiency. The analysis in this report tests the validity of this hypothesis.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: Panel Review Individual Reviewers
 Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 06/21/11 End: XX/XX/XX Completed: XX/XX/XX

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organization
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No

